

BALLINGER  
STEPS OUTSecretary of the Interior Who  
Has Been Under Fire

## RESIGNATION IS ACCEPTED

It Was First Made on January 19, but  
Taft Asked Him to Remain  
Until the End of Con-  
gress Session.

Washington, D. C., March 7.—Secretary of the Interior Richard A. Ballinger has resigned from President Taft's cabinet, and he will be succeeded by Walter L. Fisher of Chicago. The resignation was tendered to the president in a letter dated January 19, the secretary basing it entirely upon the condition of his health.

President Taft replied immediately to the letter. He expressed confidence in Secretary Ballinger and added his reluctance to accept the resignation. He requested Secretary Ballinger to remain in office until the close of the present session of Congress. Immediately upon the adjournment of Congress, Secretary Ballinger renewed the request that he be relieved at a date suiting the president's convenience, but immediately if possible. To-day President Taft, in a letter, formally accepted the resignation.

Mr. Fisher's commission was signed immediately by President Taft. He will take the office in a few days.

The correspondence between the president and Secretary Ballinger displays the confidence which Mr. Taft has reposed in Mr. Ballinger throughout the long siege, and the indignation with which he has viewed the attack upon the secretary's personal and official integrity.

"I have had the fullest opportunity," the president says in his letter accepting the resignation, "to know you, to know your standards of service to the government and public and to know your motives, to know how you have administered your office and to know the motives of those who have assailed you. I do not hesitate to say you have been the object of one of the most unscrupulous conspiracies for defamation of character that history can show."

And in the conclusion of his letter the president declares, "Every fibre of my nature rebels against such hypocrisy," referring to the attacks upon Ballinger's character, "and it never me to fight such a combination and such methods to the bitter end, lest success in this instance may form a demoralizing precedent. But my personal consideration for you and yours makes me feel that I have no right to ask you for further sacrifice."

The president then goes on to declare that it is evident he himself has been the ultimate object of the attack, and says that to insist upon Mr. Ballinger's remaining in office "with the prospects of further efforts against you, is to selfishly impose on you more of a burden than I ought to impose."

Walter L. Fisher, who has been appointed to succeed Secretary Ballinger, is a lawyer, located at Chicago. He is a native of Wheeling, West Virginia, having been born on July 4, 1862. He received his education in the public schools at Wheeling, the Marietta, Ohio, preparatory school and Hanover college. He went to Chicago in 1884 and was admitted to the bar in 1888. He was special assessment attorney in Chicago in 1888-89 and special traction counsel in Chicago in 1890-97. He married a Boston woman, Mabel Taylor, in 1891.

## IS PINCHOT MAN.

Walter L. Fisher Stands Next to Pin-  
chot in Conservation Assn.

Chicago, March 7.—Walter Lowry Fisher, the newly appointed secretary of the interior, is one of Gifford Pinchot's staunchest supporters in the matter of conservation of natural resources. He is vice president of the National Conservation association, of which Mr. Pinchot is president.

## A Dangerous Experiment.

Jose Bailey of Texas, good little Jose, Joe of the malice-colored political cartoon, high-minded, bold, young, that he decided a few moments before noon on Saturday that the Democratic senators were a wicked, vulgar lot of radical hoodlums not fit for him to play with; so he notified Vice President Sherman and Governor Clegg of Texas that they would have to get along without him in the future.

Whereupon dense black gloom clouds arose over the capital in Washington, at Austin, and above 25 Broadway. The portentous and threatening character of the impending catastrophe became so pronounced during the afternoon hours of Saturday that Jose, genuinely alarmed, for his country and his state, etc., took back his resignation before sundown. The skies promptly cleared, and Texas is now preparing for a great celebration. It seems that Jose was wise in his prompt back-up—for his own sake. Considering his prominent position in the Lorimer scandal and the other things in his career, Jose took grave risks by his grandstand play. His offer might have been snuffed up.

Next time there may be no vice president to throw arms about his neck and to impose him to control his bad temper. It is most significant that but eleven senators, practically the list of Democrats who voted to keep Lorimer in his seat and against the popular election of senators, joined in the hurry-up telegram to the governor of Texas not to accept the splendid resignation. It is to be surmised that the twenty-one other Democratic senators were asked to sign the telegram, and the absence of their names does not indicate that they feel that their party or the country would totter and fall if the Texas senator would withdraw his support.—New York Globe.

TWO MEN EXECUTED  
FOR LYNN MURDERBoth Were Young Men Who To-day  
Paid the Penalty With Their  
Lives in Charlestown  
State Prison.

Boston, March 7.—For the murder of Thomas A. Landregan, a wealthy shoe manufacturer of Lynn, and Patrolman James R. Carroll of the Lynn police force in a bold daylight robbery on a busy city street, Wassill Ivankowski, 22 years old, and Andrei Ipsen, aged 19 years, were electrocuted at the Charlestown state prison shortly after midnight this morning.

The murder was prompted by robbery and was one of the boldest and most sensational ever committed in Massachusetts. On Saturday, June 25, Mr. Landregan, accompanied by Patrolman Carroll as a bodyguard, was returning from a Lynn bank to his factory carrying the factory's weekly payroll, about \$4,500, in a bag. On Oxford street, three men approached the manufacturer and the policeman from behind, and the three men, Landregan and Carroll were shot dead in their tracks, and the murderers, seizing the bag filled with money, started on a dash through the streets towards High Rock, an eminence overlooking the city.

The murder of Landregan and Carroll was witnessed by a number of persons, who immediately started in pursuit. The three bandits turned about from time to time, firing their wicked-looking automatic magazine revolvers at their pursuers.

Within a few moments after the murder, police and citizens, armed and conveyed in dozens of automobiles, had made the escape of the bandits impossible. The three murderers, when they reached the summit of High Rock, hastily divided the paper currency that was in the bag, and then endeavored to escape in the direction of Boston. They were headed off by their pursuers, several shots were exchanged, and during the fight with the police, one of the bandits was killed. This man has never been identified, and is known to the police only by the abbreviated name of "Joe." Ipsen was seriously wounded and Ivankowski surrendered to the authorities.

The trial of Ivankowski and Ipsen opened in November last, before Chief Justice Alden of the Massachusetts superior court, in the Essex county court house at Salem. The trial lasted only a few days, and after deliberating less than two hours, the jury, on November 18, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree in the case of both men. Sentence of death was pronounced the same day. Ipsen received the sentence in a stolid manner, but as Ivankowski was being led back to jail he addressed some threatening words to the judge, declaring that the judge would be sorry later.

The case of Ivankowski and Ipsen is almost unique in Massachusetts, criminal jurisprudence, inasmuch as less than nine months elapsed from the time of the commission of the crime to its expiration in the electric chair.

## SURRENDERED HIMSELF

After Traveling Half-way Across Con-  
tinent to Escape.

Burlington, March 7.—After traveling half way across the continent in an effort to evade the law, Richard Nichols, the colored man whose place near Fort Ethan Allen was raided by the sheriff shortly after the affair in which two hucksters and two young girls figured, returned yesterday and appeared in city court, where he furnished bail in the sum of \$800 on a charge of furnishing liquor.

Nichols left Vermont shortly after the city court hearing in which the particular charge of "riding" to his place became public. The state's attorney traced him as far as Boston and then learned that he had gone to Kansas City, Kan., where he formerly lived. Nichols, it is understood, was at one time a sheriff in Fort Leavenworth, Kan. After remaining there a number of weeks, Nichols decided to return to Burlington and face the music. He came into police headquarters yesterday, met the state's attorney and explained that he decided after reaching Kansas City that he had made a mistake in leaving Vermont.

## ITALIAN AUTHOR DEAD.

Antonio Fogazzaro's Best Known Novel  
Placed Under Ban by Holy See.

Venice, Italy, March 7.—Antonio Fogazzaro, the author of the novel "The Soul of a Bishop," died here to-day. He recently underwent an operation for cancer of the liver. Fogazzaro's best known novel was "Il Santo," which appeared five years ago and treated religious matters in such a liberal manner that it was placed under a ban by the holy see.

## Back to the Vermont Soil.

We print in another column a letter from an entered correspondent emphasizing what we have repeatedly said about the movement back to Vermont, and especially back to Vermont farms, which is one of the most gratifying signs of our times. Our correspondent shows in a concise way how well-known men from other states have helped to develop the single town of Charlotte during the past few years, to say nothing of the success won by many old-time residents, and it is safe to say that this chapter of success could be paralleled in a host of other towns scattered throughout the state.

This movement back to Vermont is but one of manifold evidences of the fact that the Green Mountain state is coming into its own. With some of the officials of the New York Central, Delaware & Hudson, the Pennsylvania and other great systems of transportation looking for places for summer outings in the Champlain valley, it is not necessary to prove that the outlook for this region as a tourist resort is flattering in the extreme. With the railroads vying with each other as to which shall do most for the development of the state as a tourist resort, and with other conditions combining to help push the Green Mountain state, there is every reason why we should be satisfied with the situation and do our part to help along the movement for a greater Vermont.—Burlington Free Press.

217 MILES  
BY AEROPLANERenaux Was Accompanied by  
One Passenger

## FIVE HOURS, 8 MINUTES

Flying from Saint Cloud to Puy de  
Ghome To-day, the Daring French  
Aviator Won Special Michelin  
Prize of \$20,000.

Clermont, France, March 7.—A remarkable flight by aeroplane was made to-day by the aviator Renaux, in which, carrying one passenger, he flew from Saint Cloud to Puy de Ghome, landing on the summit. The entire distance was 217 miles, and the aeroplane covered the flight in five hours and eight minutes. By doing that Renaux won the special Michelin prize of \$20,000.

Throughout the trip, the aviator maintained a speed of approximately a mile a minute. Renaux is 34 years of age.

DEMOCRATS GAIN  
AGAIN IN MAINEThat Was Feature of Election Held in  
Eleven of Twenty Cities of the  
State Yesterday.

Portland, Me., March 7.—Several striking features characterized the annual municipal elections held yesterday in eleven of Maine's twenty cities. The Democrats kept up their victorious tendency so noticeable in the state election last September, winning seven mayors as against three in the same cities a year ago.

In Bath, which has had but four Democratic mayors since its incorporation in 1848, Frank A. Small, a shipbuilder, yesterday had a plurality over Clarence R. Penrose, larger than his opponent's total vote. The landslide swept the city, giving the Democrats six out of the seven wards.

Mayor-elect Emory O. Reane is the third Democrat to be so honored in Hallowell. His father, Fred Emory Reane, chairman of the Democratic state committee, served in 1891 and 1897. William R. Pattangall, serving his third term in the Maine House of Representatives and the majority leader in the present session, was elected mayor of Waterville over former Mayor Martin Blaisdell, Republican.

Albert J. Tolman, serving his fifth term as sheriff of Knox county, was defeated for mayor of Rockland by G. Herbert Blodden, Republican. Mayor Frank A. Moray of Lewiston was given his fifth consecutive election on the Democratic ticket. Mayor Moray is speaker of the Maine House of Representatives.

Re-elections were also accorded Mayor Irving L. Merrill, Republican, in Auburn; Walter J. Garnett, Republican, in Eastport; and John A. S. Dyer, Democrat, in South Portland.

Dr. Bert E. Lamb, Republican, was elected in Gardiner. The failure of the Republican city committee at Saco to file his nomination papers in proper time probably cost John G. Smith, the Republican nominee for mayor, his election to-day. By the use of stickers he rolled up a vote which lacked only eighty-one of giving him the election. The Democratic-Citizen combination, which usually controls the city, elected Walter A. Gilpatrick as mayor, the vote being 692 to 651.

The Democrats made gains in the city governments. The Republicans elected majorities in six, the Democrats in three, and the Democratic-Citizen combination in one city. Last year the Republicans had eight cities, the Democrats two, and the Democratic-Citizen ticket one.

## APPROPRIATED \$50,000.

Part for New School Building and Re-  
mainder for Streets.

St. Albans, March 7.—At the annual city meeting to-day, several important actions were taken, chief of which was a vote to appropriate not to exceed \$50,000 for a new school building. In addition to that, the citizens voted to bond the city to an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for new streets.

The early hours of the voting were the heaviest in several years. Up to 10 o'clock a total of two hundred votes had been cast, as against 146 for the same time last year. During the hour from 12 to 1 this afternoon there was the heaviest voting as the railroad shops let the men out then. Up to 1 this afternoon 772 votes had been cast.

## Temporary Receiver Appointed.

In the matter of the petition of the creditors, that the More-Bischi Granite Co. of Barre be adjudged bankrupt, Judge James L. Martin has ordered that the corporation be adjudged bankrupt and has appointed John McDonald of Barre as temporary receiver. The receiver assumed his duties yesterday. The case is referred to W. N. Theriault as referee. The company will file a list of its assets and liabilities within ten days, and the first meeting of the creditors will probably be held the last of this month.

The Rutland Manufacturing company has drawn 500,000 feet of logs thus far this winter. This amount is considerably less than the number of feet which had been drawn at this time last year, and the decrease is attributed to the poor sleighing of the last few weeks. Since it is probable that there will be little more sleighing this season, it is expected that the company will convey the rest of its logs to this city by freight.

The first syrup of the season in that section was made on Monday, February 27, in Jacksonville, by E. A. Temple, when he gathered 4½ barrels of sap.

## NET FISHING NOT STOPPED.

The Canadians Are at Work in Mis-  
siquoi Bay.

Swanton, March 7.—It has been generally understood that the findings of the international fishery commission would be effective this year beginning January 1 but the Canadian Missisquoi bay fishermen are going on with their arrangements for netting through the ice just the same. This commission, consisting of David Starr Jordan on the part of the United States, and a representative of the dominion government have been engaged on this work for the past three years, covering disputed questions in all international waters from Atlantic to the Pacific.

In their investigation of Lake Champlain this commission visited Swanton three years ago and held a public session here lasting all day at which fishermen and all interested in net fishing were questioned at length. The next day by boat the commission visited the Missisquoi fishing grounds and looked into the matter fully. Personally they were very much opposed to netting through the ice and their findings, which have been published, forbid the practice.

An expert net maker from West Swanton has been employed by the Canadian fishermen for several weeks repairing their nets. A Canadian fisherman, as has been his practice for many years in the early spring, has located his fishing shanty opposite the south branch of the Missisquoi river, just on the edge of the imaginary boundary line, but on the Canadian side, and is said to be getting his nets in readiness, if they are not in actual operation.

It is reported that another fishing plant is to be established opposite the middle branch. Naturally the West Swanton fishermen are considerably wrought up over evidence of violation of what has been understood as an international agreement of a question that has been in dispute between Vermont fishermen living on Missisquoi bay and the Canadian netters.

## RUTLAND HAS A FIGHT.

Grand Juror Costello at Odds With In-  
terpretation of Law.

Rutland, March 7.—There is a spirited conflict on here over the office of grand juror which may reach the courts. It grows out of the passage by the last legislature of an act fixing the salary of a grand juror in each city in the state, one clause reading: "The city council shall designate one grand juror, etc." It is the general impression among lawyers here that this phrase is intended to mean that the office is appointive with the city council, but Charles R. Costello, the present incumbent, contends that the office is still elective and the Democrats have included his name on the ballots used to-day. He has letters from prominent legislators informing him that the word "designate" in the statute was intended to give the city council authority to say which grand juror shall receive salary from the state in a place where more than one is elected. Mr. Costello will fight the matter.

## STRIKE UNSETTLED.

Stone Cutters' Union Begin to Draw To-  
day \$1.25.

Milford, N. H., March 7.—The sixth day of the strike between the stone cutters' union and the Granite Manufacturers' association brought out no new development. The meeting of the members of the cutters' union was largely attended, and letters were read from other unions, pledging financial and moral support.

To-day the men began to draw a regular day's pay of \$1.25 from the union strike fund. This payment can be kept up indefinitely, as the union has a large fund and all members working, all over the country, will be assessed a certain amount while the strike lasts.

The manufacturers' association met yesterday and talked over the situation, especially the "bumper clause," which is the hindrance to a settlement. It could see no way, however, to make any overtures to the strikers.

## NO APPOINTMENT YET.

To Succeed O. D. Mathewson on State  
Board of Education.

Burlington, March 7.—The state board of education consisting of Governor J. A. Mearns, Supt. Mason S. Stone of Montpelier, Prof. W. E. Howard of Middlebury and H. L. Stannard of Barton met here yesterday afternoon in session all the afternoon and part of the evening.

The governor announced he had made no appointment to take the place of O. D. Mathewson of Barre, whose term has expired and he has no idea as to when an appointment will be made.

The board took up the new normal school law and went over the entire situation thoroughly. They will visit Castleton and Johnson and possibly the new agricultural school at Randolph and have another meeting in a week or so to consider the conditions as found.

## PROBABLY FATAALLY HURT.

Romeo Aguzzuolo of Quincy Caught Be-  
tween Two Blocks of Granite.

Quincy, Mass., March 7.—Romeo Aguzzuolo, aged 43, of 88 Willard street, was probably fatally injured yesterday while loading granite cars in the yard of the Granite Railway company at West Quincy. Aguzzuolo was caught between two big blocks of granite, and his chest was crushed. His left arm and two ribs were also broken. He was attended by Dr. John H. Ash and was sent to the Quincy City hospital in the police auto ambulance, which made a very quick run. Aguzzuolo is married and has a wife and three little children.

## SUED FOR \$10,000.

Springfield, March 7.—The parents of Max Levi, the 15-year-old boy whose hand was crushed in a job press at the Springfield Printing Co.'s plant, have served a writ on the company, the advertisement being set at \$10,000. The writ is returnable at the May term of the Windsor county court.

DECLARE WAR  
TO PLAY WARGreatest Demonstration Ever  
Attempted by United States

## DURING TIMES OF PEACE

Practically One-fourth of Entire Stand-  
ing Army of Country Will Be Sent  
into Texas for Military  
Maneuvers.

Washington, D. C., March 7.—In answer to the charges that the United States army is not prepared for actual warfare and is lacking in every essential that goes to make up a defensive force, the general staff, by direction of the president, has ordered a magnificent test of the whole machinery controlling the mobilization of a force greater than ever before has been attempted in a time of peace in this country.

Reproducing as nearly as possible the war conditions involving in advance a formal declaration of war, the president gave the word last night, followed by the message flying all over the country by wire, ordering the assembling of 20,000 troops in the department of Texas. This is practically for a fourth of the entire army of the United States navy to play its part, and a formidable fleet of armored cruisers, supplemented by the auxiliaries necessary for the successful maintenance of a hostile naval force on the coast enemy will take its place off the Texas shore line. The military force will establish headquarters at San Antonio, under command of General William H. Carter. The great body of troops has already begun to move.

## ONE FOOT CRUSHED.

Jones Bros' Quarryman Was Painfully  
Injured.

Demetria Maog, a quarryman employed on the Jones Brothers' light quarry at Westerville, was painfully injured yesterday afternoon when a heavy stone fell, striking him on the left foot. The man did not lose consciousness though every toe on the member was crushed completely out of shape. Dr. Nathan E. Avery was summoned and advised taking the man to the city hospital here. A team was procured and this was done at once. Early last evening, the toes were amputated. Other parts of the foot were badly lacerated, but it is thought that further amputation will be unnecessary. To-day Maog is resting as comfortably as could be expected.

The injured man is a Spaniard and is married. Unless new developments set in, he will be able to be about within a few weeks, although it will be some time before he can resume work.

## TALK OF THE TOWN

Mrs. Edwin Veale of Maple avenue is  
ill with the grippe.

Full quota of barbers to serve you at Miers' sanitary shop.

Otto coke for sale at Calder and Richardson's, \$6.50 per ton.

A. Fineberg went to Chelsea, Mass., to-day on a week's business trip.

Mrs. William Greenwood of Northfield Falls visited at C. H. Granger's to-day.

There will be a meeting of the ladies' auxiliary, A. O. H., Wednesday evening at 7:30.

If it is a bargain in a cottage house you are looking for, read J. A. Field's ad. In the classified column.

Arthur S. Martin and W. D. Smith went to Boston to-day to attend the automobile show for a few days.

A nine-pound daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Edwards of Westerville at the City Hospital yesterday.

A regular meeting of the G. G. club will be held at the home of Christina Brown, Forsyth place, Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Robert W. Moloney of Lawrence, Mass., New England organizer for the International Typographical union, was in the city to-day.

The name of Mildred Rowell was omitted in yesterday's paper from the list of those who gave flowers at the funeral of Genevieve Restallo.

Mrs. F. J. Church went to Boston to-day for a visit. On her return she will visit her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Metcalf, at South Newfane.

Mrs. John McGowan and niece, Cora McGowan, who have been passing several days with relatives here, have returned to their home in Somerville, Mass.

Arrivals at the City Hotel yesterday and to-day were registered as follows: J. E. Jackson, Omaha, Neb.; T. D. Simmons, Boston; G. E. Hach, Burlington; F. B. Stow, Belknap Falls; C. N. Worthen, Bridgeport, Conn.; William Carter, Montreal, P. Q.; L. M. Hayes, Burlington; H. E. Lowrey, H. D. Goodwin, Boston; E. J. Smith, Montreal, P. Q.; E. A. Nelson, Portland, Me.; W. J. Driscoll, Boston.

Monday arrivals at the hotel Otis were registered as follows: F. J. Dragon, Plattsburg, N. Y.; F. H. Brown, Burlington; A. H. Richardson, Boston; F. C. Frost, Plattsburg, N. Y.; F. Peck, Lyndonville; M. L. Staniel, Belfast, Me.; J. McCarthy, Boston; J. H. Springer, Baltimore, Md.; C. A. Daniels, Franklin, N. H.; W. J. Brockway, New York City; L. W. Parker, Boston; C. E. Buckley, Woodstock; W. J. Silverman, Albany, N. Y.; E. T. Vaughan, Hudson, N. Y.

Mr. Maynard of West Rutland, who had been working at Marble, Col., and had been missing since he sent word to his mother in Rutland that he had started east, has been located in Lincoln, N. B. He was ill on the trip and when he recovered secured a position in a cold storage plant.

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Option Vote in Doubt.FINAL MEETING OF  
OLD CITY COUNCILWas Held Last Evening When a Few  
Matters Were Cleaned Up for  
the Next Administration.

Though there were only a few matters to be disposed of by the city council last evening in its final session under the present administration, it was after 10:30 before they adjourned. After the business had been cleared up and an adjournment motion was in order, the clerk read a communication from the mayor in which his honor expressed his thanks to the aldermen for the diligent manner in which they had worked in the performance of their duties and for their kind assistance to himself as mayor. The mayor also suggested that a vote of thanks be extended to the city clerk for the efficient and courteous manner in which he had performed his duties.

Alderman Willey, in behalf of the board of aldermen, acknowledged with gratitude the words of the mayor and made the motion which was carried, extending a vote of thanks from the council to the clerk. Alderman Thurston also made a motion, which was unanimously carried, that the city clerk be instructed to extend the sympathy of the council to Alderman James Ewen, who has been sick for some time past and unable to attend the meetings.

The principal business before the council was the reading and adoption of the proposed amendments to the city ordinances relative to placing the police and fire departments under civil service rules and regulations. The committee on legislation reported that they had investigated the amendments and recommended that they pass. On motion of Alderman Willey, the report was accepted, and on motion of Alderman Hoyt the amendments were adopted.

The city engineer was questioned regarding the erection of a sidewalk on the Granite street bridge. The engineer reiterated his statement made last week in his report that he did not wish to assume the responsibility of adding to the dead weight on the bridge by the addition of a walk, as he was of the opinion that the bridge would not stand it. After some discussion it was decided to leave the question with the engineer to see what it would cost to have a walk built separate from the bridge.

## THE BARRE POST OFFICE.

Further Information About the Contract  
of Barre Granite.

Further information regarding the Barre post office contract states that the contract was sent by the supervising architect, Taylor, of the treasury department from Washington to New York yesterday, to be signed by the authorized agents of the Westchester Engineering company of Park avenue, New York, that company's bid having been formally accepted by the government.

The successful company will be required to go through some of the usual requirements, such as filing a bond, but that work ought to be accomplished in a short time, so that a representative of the company should arrive in Barre within the next ten days or two weeks.

Barre granite is to be used, as stated in yesterday's dispatch from Washington, and the plans are not changed materially from the original, either exterior or interior. The specifications called for the completion of the building by April 1, 1912, and it is supposed that the signed contract is to have the same stipulation. The site at the corner of South Main and Prospect streets is cleared of buildings, so that the work of excavation for the cellar can be started at once with the opening of spring weather.

## FINED FOR CONTEMPT.

Frank F. Batchelder Arraigned in City  
Court Yesterday Afternoon.

Frank F. Batchelder of 11 Liberty street was brought into court yesterday afternoon on the charge of contempt of court for disobeying a subpoena which was served on him to appear as a witness in the case of state against Daniel Saporiti last Thursday. Judge Scott adjudged him guilty and imposed a fine of \$5 and costs of \$1.65, which he paid. Batchelder claimed that he supposed he was not obliged to appear unless he received his witness fee in advance, the same as in civil suits. He admitted, however, that the officer who served the subpoena, told him he was obliged to appear and would get his fee afterwards.

## TOWN ROAD EXPENSES.

E. A. Witham, town road commissioner, says the figures given in yesterday's Times of the amount of money expended by his department last year were a little explanation. Of the total amount, \$14,474.58, \$3,939.25 was for an indebtedness contracted out of his administration, making the net amount spent on streets and highways last year \$8,435.33, or \$446.30 less than for the previous year.

Mrs. Hemmessey wishes to see and have a talk with the people of Barre. She will be at the Bijou to-night. She and an L. M. P. picture scored a big hit last night.

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Option Vote in Doubt.A large number of voters took ad-  
vantage of the opening of the polling  
places at 6 o'clock this morning in the  
annual municipal election, and conse-  
quently before 9 o'clock—the former  
time of opening—about 50 votes had  
been cast. The biggest early morning  
rush was between the hours of 6 and  
7, when the workmen in the granite  
plants were on the way to their places  
of occupation. Up to the latter hour,  
268 votes had been cast, the third  
(and largest) ward leading with 62  
votes; wards one and four next with  
50 votes; ward two with 44 votes; ward  
six with 35 and ward five with 27.

Between 7 and 9 there was a lessening of the stream, although the vote was about doubled in the two hours. At 9 it did not look like a very heavy total vote for the day; but, as usual, at noon the voters began to flock to the six voting places, and things began to pick up for the ward officers.

More than usual quiet prevailed throughout the entire voting period, this being largely due to the small number of contests. The chief interest lay in the aldermanic fights in three of the wards, D. J. Sullivan contesting the caucus nomination of W. H. Ward in the first; F. W. Nichols having filed against Donald McLeod in the third and Frank E. Connolly having done the same in the fifth ward against Alderman Antonio M. Rossi. Aldermen James Ewen and George Hoyt were not candidates for re-election in their respective wards, the first and the third. The supporters of the candidates were hustling all day, getting out the vote; and that kept the vote from dwindling.

There were two other contests, Michael Keefe being opposed to James McDonald, the caucus nominee for school commissioner in the fifth ward, and Assessor James McAdam being opposed to C. J. Lense, the citizens' caucus nominee for assessor for three years. Wards two, four and six had no special elections this year, their aldermen and school commissioners holding over for one more year. Consequently the vote in these wards was comparatively light.

The local option vote on the city's liquor policy for the next year brought out considerable interest, but the excitement over this was not great because the lack of pre-election campaigning. Ward two generally returns the largest "No" majority, and since there promised to be a large stay-at-home vote in that ward a cut in the no-license majority of 128 last year was indicated. However, wards one and three, which last year gave large no-license majorities, had aldermanic fights this year, which tended to bring out a large vote; and possibly the promised gain for license in the second ward would be counterbalanced. Shortly before the polls closed no one was willing to predict the result with any degree of assurance.

Mayor James Mutch, City Clerk and Treasurer James Mackay, First Constable M. B. Nichols, Second Constable Charles T. Southgate were all re-elected, there being no opposition. Others elected were: Charles Lundgren, O. J. L. Matthews and J. L. Wallace for auditors and R. S. Currier, John W. Gordon and Frank G. Newland for directors of Barre's Barre library. School Commissioners: Alex. Gordon and L. R. Hutchinson were re-elected in the first and third wards, respectively.

## 40TH ELECTION

AS TOWN CLERK